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By THE VETERAN.

Two international boxing champions and one American champion will risk their titles in ring combats to-morrow. Freddie Welsh, the world's champion of the lightweight class, will expose his wits to the deadly left hook of Charley White in a twenty round bout to be staged at "Coca-Cola" Casino, Col. right under the shadow of Pike's Peak. Johnny Kilbane, American champion of the featherweight class, will try to keep his face out of range of the vicious outpaw hooks of George Chaney, the Knockout King of Baltimore, in a fifteen round battle, the ring to be pitched at Cedar Point, Ohio, near Sandusky. Kid Williams, bantam champion of the world, will defend his championship against Frankie Brown, a New York bantam with titular aspirations. Jack Britton, welter champion of America, will risk his title against Joe Williams before the Queensberry A. C., Buffalo, on September 5, the day after Labor Day.

Charmers of the Circus.

So far as the heavy-weight championship is concerned, it is not likely to be a close one. Mr. Williams is a temporary star elevating the circus and so some of his numerous challengers, the stars of red tented, the grace and speed of the performing elephants, of to speak of his own triumphal entry as the swiftest ring, have apparently fled away from the boxing game. As to the entire Mr. McWay, who won a title by a single punch and is said to defend it, he doubtless will have Labor Day morning about long dead. Of all the contests, that between Welsh and White takes the leading position, not only because of the prominence of the challenger, but also because Welsh is a narrow margin took from Willie Blinn a title that had remained continuously in America for sixteen years. Saturated by the symphonies of American will be with White, who, though English born, is an American citizen and in his battle will be representing "Coca-Cola".

While the title of American light-weight champion has faded, due to the abandonment of the honors by Ritchie, it should White succeed in stopping Welsh, the victor would be the American champion as well as the world's champion.

Welsh's Weight.

There is one singular feature of the Welsh and White battle. As Welsh is an inspector of weights and measures, and a few days ago, returning from that Welsh, weighed 129 1/2 pounds. As Welsh has seldom gone into the ring for the past few years weighing less than 125 to 128 pounds, it is evident that if the reported figure is correct the Briton has been pulling the scale of himself in a cruel manner. It is not to be said that this is a strength, as must be held to be a remarkable feat. That White will make an earnest effort to bring a back to America goes without saying, but it is to be feared he lacks class.

Kilbane vs. Chaney.

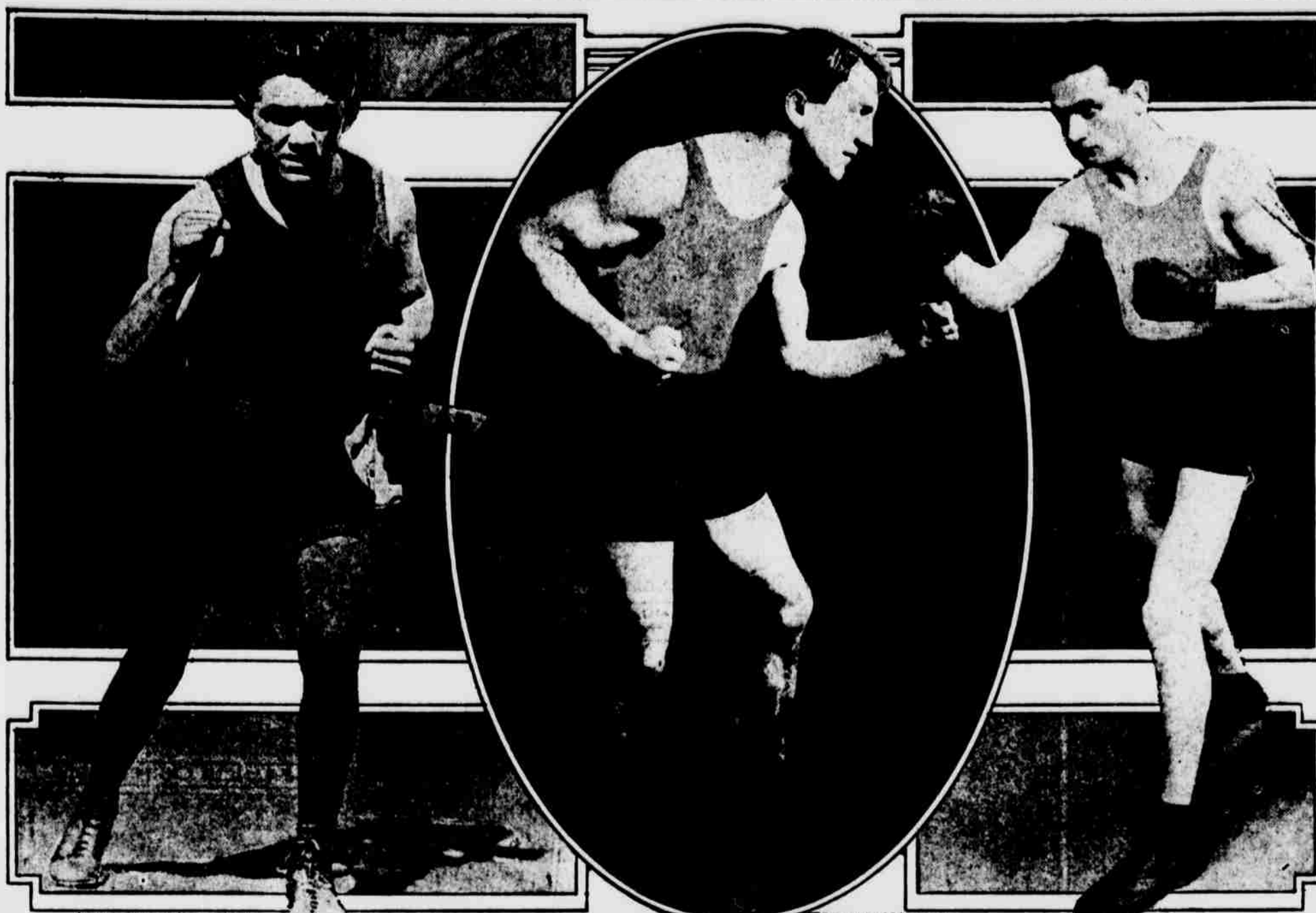
The featherweight battle between Johnny Kilbane and George Chaney has many features in common with the Welsh-White affair, except that only the American title is at stake. It has become the fashion among the informed to refer to Kilbane as the world's champion, but Kilbane, since he won the title from Alvin in 1908, has never been a foreign champion in the out of the ring. Attila never but once faced a foreign featherweight champion in the past and that was when he boxed Jim Fitzsimmons in the city. He had received the almost unanimous popular decision, and as the contest was the last of his career, he was not likely to get into danger. Both Alvin and Kilbane had many opportunities to make a name for the title, and on one occasion Alvin signed articles for a bout with Bowser for the world's title, but repudiated his own signature. Therefore, it can be seen that the American title is the only one Chaney will win if he gets one of his southern hooks to Kilbane's jaw. There is apparently no chance of Chaney putting Kilbane to sleep with a White rocking Welsh to slumber. Chaney has not a title of White's boxing class, and depends on headlong rushes to get close enough to his opponent to land on him. A sharpshooter like Kilbane should pick the Baltimorean to pieces at long range without ever getting into danger. Although Kilbane is as clever a defensive man as ever held the title, his performances look shabby alongside those of champions like George Dixon, Molly Smith, Dave Sullivan, Terry McGovern and Young Corbett. All these men were fighters and they added considerable excitement to the featherweight situation at short intervals.

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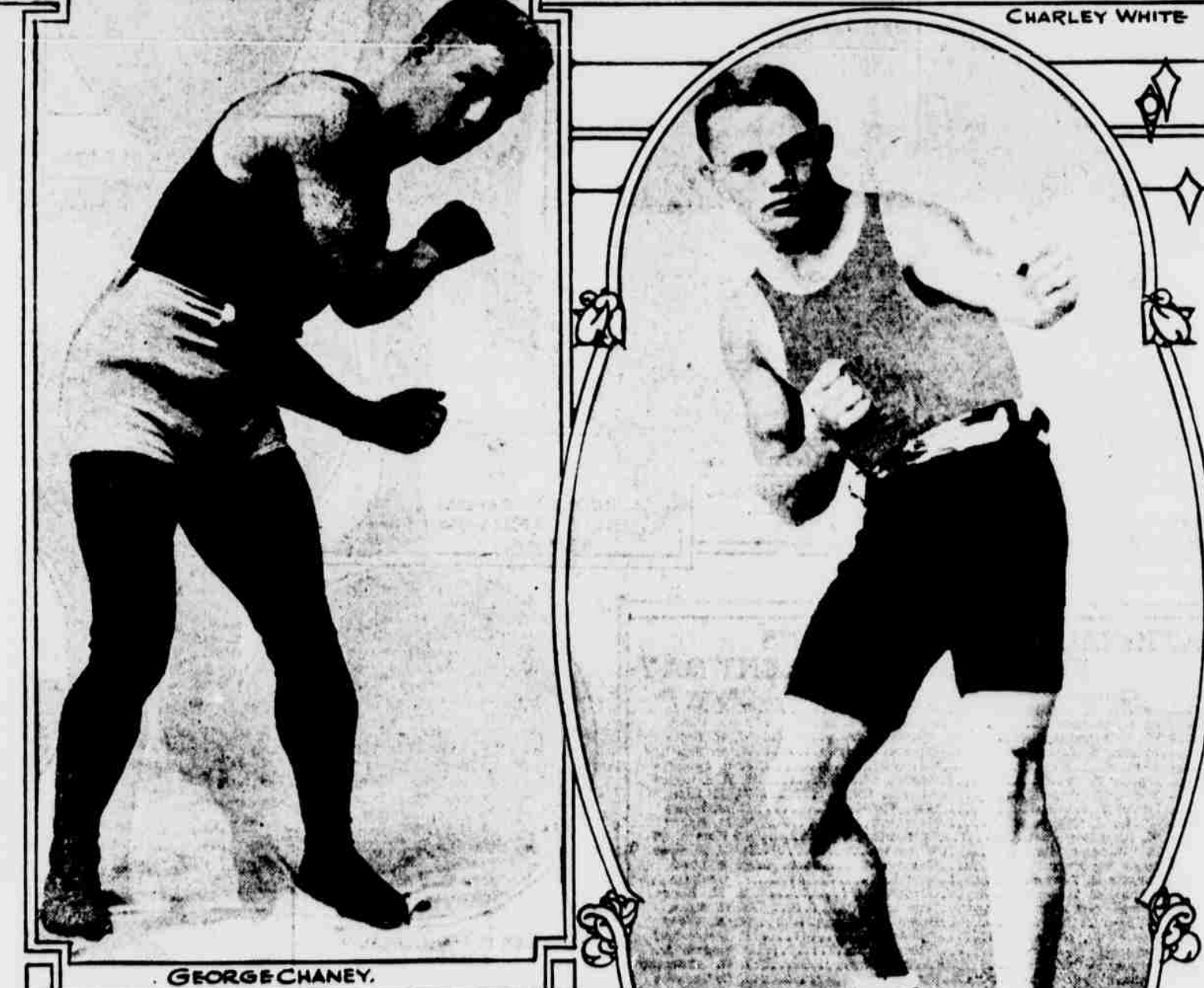
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GEORGE CHANEY.

"KID" WILLIAMS.

Frankie Neil, it cannot be denied that the title has given a good account of himself, but he has not picked any easy marks.

Williams declares that he will retire within a year, and that he is willing to give up his title to anyone who can beat him. He is in the purpose to retire undefeated if possible, and if he succeeds in avoiding defeat, there should be a lively scramble for the honors among Dutch Brandt, Pat Moore, Zulu Kid, Pete Hernandez and several other good boys.

Other Good Bouts.

Quite as interesting if not more so than any of the Labor Day championship bouts will be the contest September 2 at Madison between Jack Britton and Joe Williams.

That should prove to be one of the greatest exhibitions of scientific boxing seen in many a month. Britton's ex-

perience and ring generalship should be a match for Williams' speed and power.

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Questions & Answers

By TOM MAC NULTY

Dear Tom—Playing pinocle, two hand, A has 120 and B has 120 on the table. A gets to 100 on the play and ends out. Then B strikes the score on the table and finds that the score has added wrong, giving A 30 points too much. Who is keeping the score? A or B?

While it is the rule that if a player calls out when he is not out he loses the game then and there, he is not responsible if he is misinformed as to the score on the table. Who told him he was 120 up?

Dear Tom—We settle a slight baseball dispute kindly. In your column the score of Eddie Plank and Jack Cooney was given as 4-3. Cooney will not be 33 years of age until November 18, 1916.

Dear Tom—What are usually the prizes offered for a ticket to the world series game? \$1 to \$5.

Dear Tom—Will you kindly give in morning Sun age of Zach Wheat and also give Hoffman, also when each of these big leagues? H. DURYEA.

The celebrated Zachary D. Wheat was born on the 23d day of May, 1888, A. D., and broke into the big leagues with Brooklyn Nationals in 1909. Mondair Arthur P. (Citrus Solis) Hoffman was born on October 29, 1882, and celebrated his major league debut with Chicago Nationals in 1909.

Dear Tom—Will you kindly tell me where the authority for the six cards that go to make up a 32? H. DURYEA.

Any of these Hoxley, Dick & Fitzgerald, A. Stroked Company, United States Playing Card Company, Consolidated Card Company, The Autograph Edition, Complete Pinocle, Laws of Pinocle and Indoor Games, As usual all agree that the cards are the same for all forms of pinocle, and as every pinocle player knows you must make six separate melds in two hands, which was the original game, the authority is probably good enough for a decision.

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